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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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DATE: November 24, 2020
FILE NO: 018-14437-2823-056

OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

FROM: CHRIS E. MARKS, A/CHIEF
DETECTIVE DIVISION

TO: ALEX VILLANUEVA
SHERIFF

SUBJECT: **LETTER OF OPINION ON DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTING**

The attached Letter of Opinion was received from the District Attorney's Office regarding the case involving Deputy Francisco Quinones-Medina #[redacted]

STATION:	Compton
DATE / TIME OF SHOOTING:	October 7, 2018, 0650 Hours
SUSPECT:	Lopez, Enrique MH/36 (Injured)
LOCATION:	2109 North Long Beach Boulevard Compton

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S CONCLUSION:

The following is an excerpt from the District Attorney's Letter of Opinion.

"We conclude that the deadly force utilized by Deputy Francisco Quinones-Medina was legally justified in self defense. We are closing our file and will take no further action in this matter."

CEM:KAW:no





LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
BUREAU OF FRAUD AND CORRUPTION PROSECUTIONS
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November 20, 2020

Captain Kent Wegener
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Homicide Bureau
1 Cupania Circle
Monterey Park, California 91755

Re: Non-Fatal Officer Involved Shooting of Enrique Lopez
J.S.I.D. File #18-0433
L.A.S.D. File #018-14437-2823-056

Dear Captain Wegener:

The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office has completed its review of the October 7, 2018, non-fatal shooting of Enrique Lopez by Deputy Francisco Quinones-Medina of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. Our detailed analysis of this incident is contained in the attached memorandum.

Very truly yours,

JACKIE LACEY
District Attorney

SHANNON PRESBY
Head Deputy District Attorney
Justice System Integrity Division

c: Deputy Francisco Quinones-Medina, #[redacted]

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MEMORANDUM

TO: CAPTAIN KENT WEGENER
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Homicide Bureau
1 Cupania Circle
Monterey Park, California 91755

FROM: JUSTICE SYSTEM INTEGRITY DIVISION
Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

SUBJECT: Non-Fatal Officer Involved Shooting of Enrique Lopez
J.S.I.D. File #18-0433
L.A.S.D. File #018-14437-2823-056

DATE: November 20, 2020

The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office has completed its review of the October 7, 2018, non-fatal shooting of Enrique Lopez by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Deputy Francisco Quinones-Medina. We have determined that Deputy Quinones-Medina acted in lawful self-defense when he fired his duty weapon.

The District Attorney's Command Center was notified of this shooting on October 7, 2018, at approximately 8:30 a.m. The District Attorney Response Team responded to the scene and was given a briefing and walk-through by Lieutenant Rodney Moore.

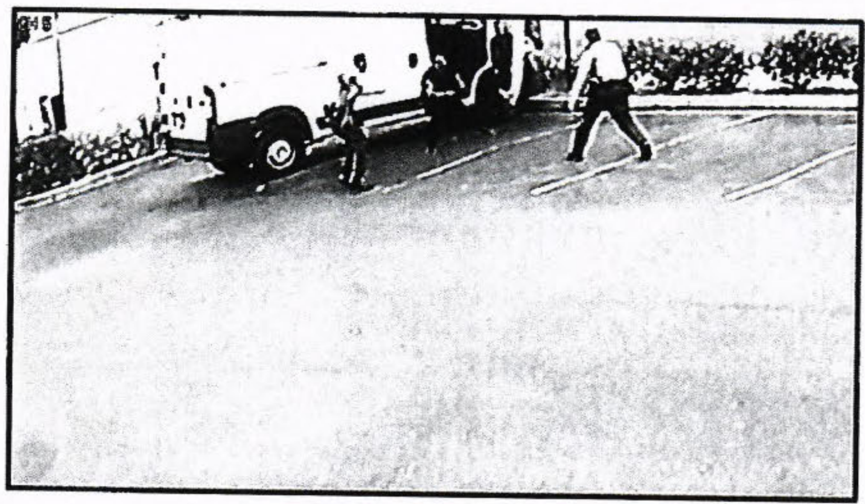
The following analysis is based on reports and other materials, including recorded interviews, photographs, and radio communications submitted to this office by LASD Homicide Bureau. No compelled statements were considered in this analysis.

FACTUAL ANALYSIS

On October 7, 2018, at approximately 6:50 a.m., Deputy Omar Covarrubias observed a Dodge van parked in a small business strip mall located at the northwest corner of North Long Beach Boulevard and East Pine Street in Compton.

Covarrubias determined that the van was reported stolen. He observed Lopez seated in the front passenger seat and approached the passenger side of the van. Covarrubias gave Lopez several commands to put his hands on the dashboard, but Lopez did not comply. Covarrubias requested backup. Lopez was moving around inside the van and appeared to be reaching for unknown items within the passenger compartment. Before additional deputies arrived, Lopez appeared to "snort" something from a piece of paper. Lopez was making hand gestures and "flipped [Covarrubias] off." Lopez's speech was indiscernible due to the window being closed.

Three minutes after Covarrubias first made contact with Lopez, Quinones-Medina arrived and approached on the passenger side of the van to assist Covarrubias. Lopez was ignoring commands to show his hands and was "fidgeting." Quinones-Medina opened to the passenger door of the van to make sure Lopez was not arming himself with a weapon. Lopez immediately exited with a knife in his hand and approached Quinones-Medina. A surveillance camera in the strip mall recorded the officer involved shooting without sound.

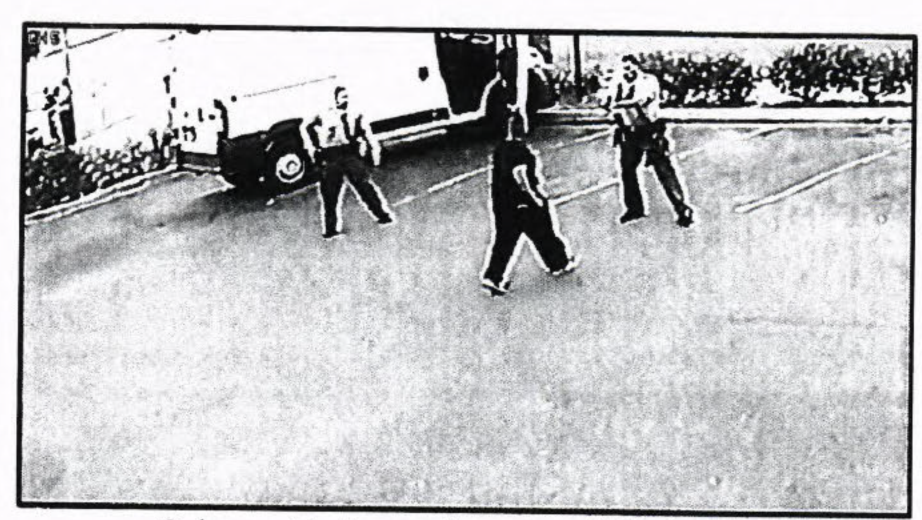


Lopez exits the van.

Quinones-Medina and Covarubias gave Lopez several commands to drop the knife, as Quinones-Medina walked backwards away from Lopez while pointing his service weapon at Lopez. Lopez continued to follow Quinones-Medina as Quinones-Medina retreated in a counterclockwise direction.



Lopez advances toward Quinones-Medina.



Quinones-Medina continues to walk backwards.

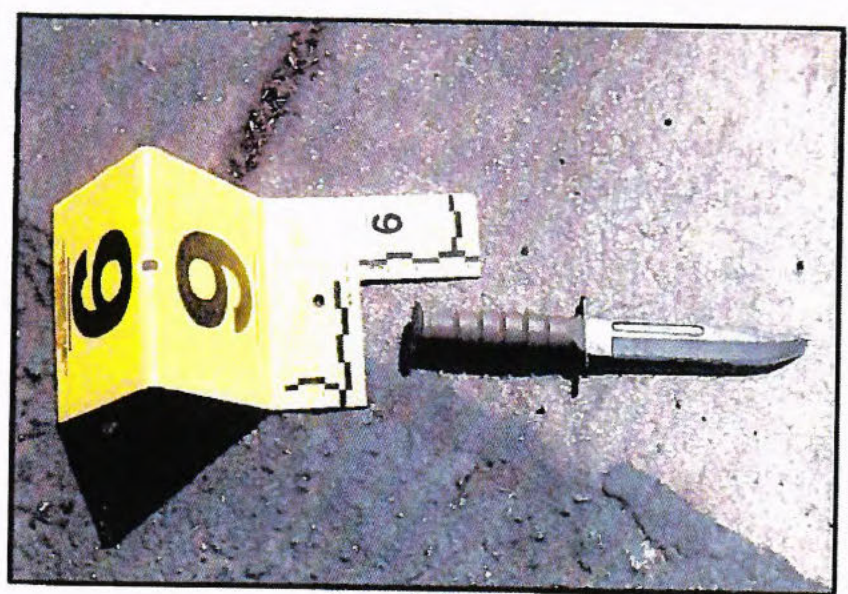


Lopez advances within a few feet of Quinones-Medina immediately before Quinones-Medina fired his service weapon.

Quinones-Medina believed he could no longer safely retreat as there were bushes behind him near the sidewalk. Lopez came within five feet of Quinones-Medina. In fear for his life, Quinones-Medina fired three rounds at Lopez as Lopez advanced and did not comply with multiple commands to drop the weapon.[1] Approximately 13 seconds elapsed from when Lopez exited the van to the time Quinones-Medina fired his service weapon.

Lopez was arrested and transported to the hospital. Lopez survived his injuries. Lopez's knife was recovered at the scene.

[1] Near simultaneous to shooting Lopez, Quinones-Medina heard Deputy [redacted] yell, "Taser!" [redacted] then deployed his Taser at Lopez.



Lopez's knife.

Statement of [redacted]

[redacted] was sleeping in the reclined seat of his car, a Nissan Xterra, which was parked near the van in the strip mall. [redacted] heard a man repeatedly yell, "Put your hands up! Don't move!" [redacted] then heard two to three gunshots. [redacted] stated that he did not see the shooting.

Statement of Enrique Lopez

On October 9, 2018, investigators interviewed Lopez at the hospital. The interview was recorded. Lopez stated he took the van from Studio City. Lopez had snorted "a lot" of methamphetamine and "was high on meth." Lopez exited the van with a knife, which he had stolen from Big-5 near Studio City. The deputy told him to drop the knife but he did not. He stated he has mental health problems and apologized for his actions.

Lopez was charged in case number TA147414 with one felony count of grand theft of an automobile and one felony count of assault with a deadly weapon upon a peace officer. On October 30, 2018, Lopez pled no contest to the assault, was convicted of assaulting Quinones-Medina with a deadly and dangerous weapon, and sentenced to three years to be served in state prison.

LEGAL ANALYSIS

California law permits any person to use deadly force in self-defense or in the defense of others if he actually and reasonably believed that he or others were in imminent danger of great bodily injury or death. CALCRIM No. 3470. In protecting himself or another, a person may use that amount of force which he believes reasonably necessary and which would appear to a reasonable person, in the same or similar circumstances, to be necessary to prevent imminent injury. *Id.*

In California, the evaluation of the reasonableness of a police officer's use of deadly force employs a reasonable person acting as a police officer standard, which enables the jury to evaluate the conduct of a reasonable person functioning as a police officer in a stressful situation. *People v. Mehserle* (2012) 206 Cal.App.4th 1125, 1146.

In evaluating whether a police officer's use of deadly force was reasonable in a specific situation, it is helpful to draw guidance from the objective standard of reasonableness adopted in civil actions alleging Fourth Amendment violations. "The 'reasonableness' of a particular use of force must be judged from the perspective of a reasonable officer on the scene, rather than with the 20/20 vision of hindsight… The calculus of reasonableness must embody allowance for the fact that police officers are often forced to make split-second judgments—in circumstances that are tense, uncertain, and rapidly evolving—about the amount of force that is necessary in a particular situation." *Graham v. Connor* (1989) 490 U.S. 386, 396-397.

When Covarrubias initially contacted Lopez, Lopez willfully disregarded Covarrubias' commands to show his hands. Instead, Lopez was reaching within the passenger compartment. Lopez continued to disregard the deputies' commands when Quinones-Medina arrived. At an unknown time, Lopez armed himself with a knife, a deadly and dangerous weapon. As soon as Quinones-Medina opened the passenger side door, Lopez exited with the knife in his hand and quickly followed Quinones-Medina. Quinones-Medina walked backwards from Lopez to create greater distance, and afforded Lopez more time to reconsider his assault on a uniformed peace officer and surrender. Covarrubias and Quinones-Medina continued to command Lopez to drop the knife. Lopez posed an imminent threat of great bodily injury or death to Quinones-Medina. Quinones-Medina was in reasonable fear for his life and fired three rounds to stop the immediate threat Lopez posed.

CONCLUSION

We conclude that the deadly force utilized by Deputy Francisco Quinones-Medina was legally justified in self-defense. We are closing our file and will take no further action in this matter.

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Officer Involved Shooting

Report Date:	Bureau/Station/Facility:	Admin. Invest.?	Hit?
10/7/2018	Central Patrol Division / Compton Station	[ ]	[x]

Incident Information

URN: 018-14437-2823-056	Date: 10/7/2018	Time: 0650 hours

City or Station: Compton

Location: 2109 North Long Beach Boulevard, Compton CA 90221

Nature of Incident: Deputies attempted to contact the suspect during a stolen vehicle investigation. The suspect pointed a knife and charged at the deputies when a deputy involved shooting occurred.

Location Type (*check one or more*):
- [ ] Backyard
- [ ] Beach
- [x] Business
- [ ] Freeway
- [ ] Industrial
- [ ] Park
- [x] Parking Lot
- [ ] Residence
- [ ] Rural
- [ ] School
- [ ] Street
- Other:

Lighting (*check only one*):
- [ ] Darkness
- [x] Daylight
- [ ] Other
- [ ] Street Lights

Weather (*circle only one*):
- [x] Clear
- [ ] Cloudy
- [ ] Fog
- [ ] Rain

Distance: 5-10 feet

Incident Type (*check one or more*):
- [ ] Accidental
- [x] Armed Person
- [ ] Fleeing Suspect
- [ ] Foot Pursuit
- [ ] Gun Take Away
- [ ] Moving Vehicle
- [ ] Sniper/Ambush
- [ ] Startle
- [ ] Struggle Involved
- [ ] Traffic Stop
- [ ] Unarmed Person
- [ ] Unintentional
- [ ] Vehicle Pursuit
- [ ] Warrant Service
- [ ] Warning Shot
- Other:

Initiated by (*check only one*):
- [ ] Arrest Warrant
- [ ] Call
- [x] Observation
- [x] One Person Unit
- [ ] Other
- [ ] Search Warrant
- [ ] Two Person Unit

Prior Activity (*check only one*):
- [ ] Detective
- [ ] Inmate Transport
- [ ] Other
- [x] Routine Patrol

Aero Unit? [ ] Canine Unit? [ ]

Total # of Shots Fired by Deputy	Total # of Shots Fired by Suspect
3	0

Employee Witnesses

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (*check only one*)	ShiftType (*check only one*)
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[x] EM [ ] PM [ ] Day	[x] Regular [ ] Overtime [ ] Off Duty
[redacted]	Covarrubias	Omar	F.	[ ] EM [ ] PM [x] Day	[x] Regular [ ] Overtime [ ] Off Duty
				[ ] EM [ ] PM [ ] Day	[ ] Regular [ ] Overtime [ ] Off Duty

Non-Employee Witnesses

Last Name		First Name		M.I.
Street Address	City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name		First Name		M.I.
Street Address	City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name		First Name		M.I.
Street Address	City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph

Supervisors

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	(*check one or more*)
[redacted]	Adams	Rodney	A.	[x] On Duty [ ] Present during shooting [ ] Witness to shooting [ ] Involved in shooting
				[ ] On Duty [ ] Present during shooting [ ] Witness to shooting [ ] Involved in shooting

Watch Sergeant

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
[redacted]	French	Keith	A.

Watch Commander

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
[redacted]	Leos	Andrew	J.

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See Reverse

Rollout Information

Arrival Date	Arrival Time	Date Submitted	Date of Recommendation
10/7/2018	0925 hours	10/8/2018	10/7/2018

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
[redacted]	Delgado	Connie	NMN
[redacted]	Maxwell	Michael	L.
[redacted]	Granek	Roberta	C.

Shooting / Force Information

Method

(AW) Arwen
(BC) Baton:(Control)
(BI) Baton:(Impact)
(BF) Bodily Fluids
(CN) Canine
(CR) Carotid Restraint
(CH) Choke Hold
(CT) Control Holds:(Control Techniques)
(TT) Control Holds:(Team Takedown)
(TD) Control Holds:(Takedown)
(CE) Chemical
(OC) Chemical Agents (OC Spray)
(TG) Chemical Agents (Tear Gas)
(EX) Explosives
(FH) Firearm (Handgun)
(FR) Firearm (Rifle)
(FS) Firearm (Shotgun)
(FO) Firearm (Other)
(FB) Flashbang
(FL) Flashlight
(OE) Other Weapon: Edged
(OV) Other Weapon: Vehicle
(OB) Other Weapon: Blunt Object
(OO) Other Weapon: Other
(PK) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Kick)
(PS) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Sweep)
(PH) Personal Weapon (Hand/Arm)
(PP) Personal Weapon (Push)
(PO) Personal Weapon (Other)
(RS) Resistance
(CN) Restraint Device (Capture Net)
(RH) Restraint Device (Handcuffs)
(HB) Restraint Device:Hobble (Legs Only)
(TP) Restraint Device:Hobble (TARP)
(RE) Restraint Device: REACT Belt
(SP) Sap
(SH) Shield
(SG) 37mm Stinger
(SB) Sting Ball
(ST) Stun Bag
(TR) Taser
(UC) Uncooperative

Type of Injury

(AB) Abrasion
(BR) Bruise
(BU) Burn
(CP) Complaint of Pain
(CO) Concussion
(DH) Death
(DI) Dislocation
(DB) Dog Bite
(FR) Fractures
(GS) Gunshot
(HB) Human Bite
(LC) Lacerations
(ND) Nerve Damage
(OD) Organ Damage
(PA) Paralysis
(PW) Puncture Wound
(SD) Soft Tissue Damage
(ST) Sprain/Twists
(UN) Unconscious
(RM) Refused Med Treatment
(NN) NONE

Body Part Injured

(AD) Abdomen
(AK) Ankle
(AR) Arm
(BK) Back
(BT) Buttocks
(CH) Chest
(EL) Elbow
(FA) Face
(FE) Feet
(FI) Fingers
(GE) Genitals
(GR) Groin
(HD) Hand
(HE) Head
(HI) Hip
(IN) Internal
(KN) Knees
(LE) Leg
(NK) Neck
(SH) Shoulder
(WR) Wrist

Brand

(AK) AK-47
(BN) Benelli
(BR) Beretta
(BW) Browning
(CH) Charter Arms
(CO) Colt
(DA) Davis Industries
(GL) Glock
(HA) Harrington & Richardson
(HI) Hi Standard
(HK) H & K
(IT) Ithica
(IV) Iver Johnson
(JE) Jennings
(LO) Lorcin
(LU) Luger
(MA) Marlin
(MO) Mossberg
(NC) NCI aka SKS
(NA) North American
(NO) Norinco
(RA) Raven
(RM) Remington
(RG) RG
(RI) RGI
(RO) Rossi
(SW) Smith & Wesson
(SR) Sturm Ruger
(SS) SIG Sauer
(ST) Sterling
(TA) Taurus
(WE) Weatherby
(WN) Winchester
(US) US Government
(YY) Handmade (Inmate)
(XX) Homemade (Non-Inmate)
(ZZ) Other Brand

Caliber

(9) 9 mm
(10) 10 mm
(12) 12 guage
(20) 20 guage
(21) .22-250
(22) .22 caliber
(23) .223 caliber
(24) .243 caliber
(25) .25 caliber
(30) .308 caliber
(35) .357 caliber
(36) 30-60 caliber
(38) .38 caliber
(40) .40 caliber
(41) .410 guage
(44) .44 caliber
(45) .45 caliber
(50) 50 mm
(SL) Slug
(WW) Other caliber

FORCE APPLIED (one code per block)

Used By (E# or S#)	Used Against (E# or S#)	Method (Code)	Brand (Code)	Caliber (Code)	Authorized Weapon? (Y/N)	Authorized Ammunition? (Y/N)	Type of Injury (Code)	Body Part (Code)
S1	E1	UC					NN	
S1	E1	OE					NN	
E1	S1	FH	HK	45	Y	Y	GS	AD

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Officer Involved Shooting
Involved Employee Information

URN: 018-14437-2823-056

Involved Employee

E 1

Employee #: [redacted]	Last Name: Quinones-Medina	First Name: Francisco	M.I.: NMN
Sex: M Race: H	Rank: DSG	Unit Assignment: Compton	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 284A
ShiftTime (*circle only one*): ☐ EM ☐ PM ☑ Day	ShiftType (*circle only one*): ☑ Regular ☐ Overtime ☐ Off Duty	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Hospital Admission? ☐	Hospital Name:	Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #: Interviewed? ☑
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting: 6	Duty Time (hrs): [redacted]	Clothing (*circle only one*): ☐ Plain Clothes no Vest ☐ Plain Clothes w/ Vest ☐ Raid Jacket no Vest ☐ Raid Jacket w/ Vest ☐ Uniform no Vest ☑ Uniform w/ Vest	Other Factors:
Age: [redacted] Height: 6'04" Weight: 230			
Range Qualification Date: [redacted]	PPC Qualification Date: [redacted]	Laser Training Date: [redacted]	
Certified with Weapon Used? [redacted] Patrol Certification? [redacted]	Certification Unit: [redacted]	Prior Shootings? [redacted] Number of Prior Shootings: [redacted]	Directed Force: [redacted]
Weapons Fired Brand: Heckler & Koch Caliber: 45 # Shots: 3	Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:		
Field Training Officer Emp #: [redacted]	Last Name: [redacted]	First Name: [redacted]	M.I.: [redacted]
Field Training Officer Emp #: [redacted]	Last Name: [redacted]	First Name: [redacted]	M.I.: [redacted]

E __

Employee #:	Last Name:	First Name:	M.I.:
Sex: Race:	Rank:	Unit Assignment:	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):
ShiftTime (*circle only one*): ☐ EM ☐ PM ☐ Day	ShiftType (*circle only one*): ☐ Regular ☐ Overtime ☐ Off Duty	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Hospital Admission? ☐	Hospital Name:	Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #: Interviewed? ☐
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:	Duty Time (hrs):	Clothing (*circle only one*): ☐ Plain Clothes no Vest ☐ Plain Clothes w/ Vest ☐ Raid Jacket no Vest ☐ Raid Jacket w/ Vest ☐ Uniform no Vest ☐ Uniform w/ Vest	Other Factors:
Age: Height: Weight:			
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Certified with Weapon Used? ☐ Patrol Certification? ☐	Certification Unit:	Prior Shootings? ☐ Number of Prior Shootings:	Directed Force: ☐
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Age: Height: Weight:			
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Certified with Weapon Used? ☐ Patrol Certification? ☐	Certification Unit:	Prior Shootings? ☐ Number of Prior Shootings:	Directed Force: ☐
Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:	Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:		
Field Training Officer Emp #:	Last Name:	First Name:	M.I.:
Field Training Officer Emp #:	Last Name:	First Name:	M.I.:

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Officer Involved Shooting Suspect Information

Suspect Information

S 1

Last Name: Lopez	First Name: Enrique	M.I.: D.	
AKA Last Name: Lopez Jr.	First Name: Enrique	M.I.: D.	
Sex: M Race: H	Street Address: [redacted]	City: [redacted]	State & Zip Code: [redacted]
Work Phone: [redacted]	Home Phone: [redacted]	Social Security #: [redacted]	Driver's License #: [redacted]
Age: 36 D.O.B. 08/12/1982	Height: 5'07" Weight: 220	FBI #: [redacted]	CII #: [redacted]
Booking # 5457931	Primary Charge: 245(C) P.C.	Secondary Charge: 487(D)(1) P.C.	
Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☑	Substance Used: Methamphetamine
Armed? ☑	Apprehended? ☑	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? [redacted]
Vehicle Make: Dodge Model: Ram Pro Master Year: 2018	Parole: No	Probation: No	Prior Felony Conviction: Yes

S

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
AKA Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
Booking #	Primary Charge:	Secondary Charge:	
Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Armed? ☐	Apprehended? ☐	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? ☐
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Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
AKA Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
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Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
AKA Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
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Vehicle Make Model: Year:	Parole:	Probation:	Prior Felony Conviction:

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Supervisor's Report on Use of Force

Incident Information

URN: 018 - 14437 - 2823 - 056 | Date: 10/7/2018 | Time: 0650 hours

Location: 2019 North Long Beach Boulevard | City or Station: Compton

Bureau/Station/Facility: Central Patrol Division / Compton Station | Admin. Investigation: ○ YES ◉ NO

Type of Force: Taser / Firearm

Incident Category: ○1 ○2 ◉3 | Deputy Injury: ○ YES ◉ NO | Suspect Injury ◉ YES ○ NO

☐ Call ☒ Observation ☐ Detail ☐ Foot Pursuit ☐ Vehicle Pursuit

IAB Notified: ◉YES ○ NO | Person Notified: Lt. Granek, R | Emp: [redacted] | IAB Roll Out ◉ YES ○ NO

Involved Employee

E1

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank
[redacted]	Quinones-Medinca	Francisco	NMN	DSG

Sex	Race	Height	Weight	Age	Shift	
◉ M ○ F	H	6'04"	230	[redacted]	○ EM ◉ Day ○ PM	◉ Regular Shift ○ OT Shift ○ Off Duty

Unit of Assignment: Compton Station | Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 284A

Individual Force Used: Firearm | ○ Directed ○ Rescue ○ Medical Assist | Individual Category ○1 ○2 ◉3

☐ Injured ☐ Treated ☐ Admitted Facility: | Coroner Case #

E2

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	DSG

Sex	Race	Height	Weight	Age	Shift	
◉ M ○ F	H	5'10"	190	[redacted]	◉ EM ○ Day ○ PM	◉ Regular Shift ○ OT Shift ○ Off Duty

Unit of Assignment: Compton Station | Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 282K1

Individual Force Used: Taser | ○ Directed ○ Rescue ○ Medical Assist | Individual Category ○1 ○2 ◉3

☐ Injured ☐ Treated ☐ Admitted Facility: | Coroner Case #

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Employee #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank

Sex	Race	Height	Weight	Age	Shift	
○ M ○ F					○ EM ○ Day ○ PM	○ Regular Shift ○ OT Shift ○ Off Duty

Unit of Assignment: | Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):

Individual Force Used: | ○ Directed ○ Rescue ○ Medical Assist | Individual Category ○1 ○2 ○3

☐ Injured ☐ Treated ☐ Admitted Facility: | Coroner Case #

On Duty Supervisor ☐ Additional Involved Employees

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank	Present	Witness to Incident
[redacted]	Adams	Richard	A	SGT	YES ○ NO ◉	YES ○ NO ◉

Supervisor Completing Investigation

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank	Present	Witness to Incident
[redacted]	Martinez	Armando	NMN	SGT	YES ○ NO ◉	YES ○ NO ◉

Watch Commander / Supervising Lieutenant

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank
[redacted]	Grall	David	M.	LT

Watch Commander / Supervising Lieutenant's **Signature:** | 10/12/21 Date | Copy Provided to Employee by: | Emp #:

Unit Commander **(Print Name)** | Unit Commander's **Signature:** | Emp #: | Date

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☐ PPI REVIEW COMPLETED

Original: Discovery Unit
Copy: Unit Commander

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Supervisor's Report on Use of Force
SUSPECT INFORMATION

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Suspect Information

S 1

Last Name: Lopez | First Name: Enrique | Middle Name: Danilo | Armed? Select: Other Weapon: Edged

AKA Last Name: Lopez Jr. | First Name: Enrique | Middle Name: Danilo

Sex: (●) Male ( ) Female | Race: H | Age: 36 | Height: 5"07" | Weight: 220 | D.O.B: 08/12/82 | Phone #1: ( ) H ( ) W ( ) C None | Phone #2: ( ) H ( ) W ( ) C

Street Address: [redacted] | City: [redacted] | State & Zip Code: [redacted]

Booking #: 5457931 | Primary Charge Code: 245(C) P.C. | Secondary Charge Code: 487(D)(1) P.C. | [redacted] Criminal History

Treated on Scene? (●) YES ( ) NO | Name: Compton Fire Dept. | Unit: Engine # 42 | Phone #: 310-605-5483

Hospital Admission? [X] | Rec'd Treatment At: St. Francis Medical | Coroner Case #: | Mental History [ ] User's guide provides direction on this entry

By: Dr. Lopez | Address: 3630 East Imperial Highway | Phone #: 310-900-8900

Under Influence: (●) YES ( ) NO | Substance: CNS Stimulant | 5150 a factor in force? ( ) YES (●) NO User's guide provides direction on this entry

Date: | Time: | [ ] Audiotape: | [ ] Videotape: | [ ] Photos of Injuries: | [ ] ADMITS HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Suspect Information

S_

Last Name: | First Name: | Middle Name: | Armed? Select

AKA Last Name: | First Name: | Middle Name:

Sex: ( ) Male ( ) Female | Race: | Age: | Height: | D.O.B. | Weight: | Phone #1: ( ) H ( ) W ( ) C | Phone #2: ( ) H ( ) W ( ) C

Street Address: | City: | State & Zip Code:

Booking #: | Primary Charge Code: | Secondary Charge Code: | [ ] Criminal History

Treated on Scene? ( ) YES ( ) NO | By: | Unit: | Phone #:

Hospital Admission? [ ] | Rec'd Treatment At: | Coroner Case #: | Mental History [ ] User's guide provides direction on this entry

By: | Address: | Phone #:

Under Influence: ( ) YES ( ) NO | Substance: | 5150 a factor in force? ( ) YES ( ) NO User's guide provides direction on this entry

Date: | Time: | [ ] Audiotape: | [ ] Videotape: | [ ] Photos of Injuries: | [ ] ADMITS HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Suspect Information

S_

Last Name: | First Name: | Middle Name: | Armed? Select

AKA Last Name: | First Name: | Middle Name:

Sex: ( ) Male ( ) Female | Race: | Age: | Height: | D.O.B. | Weight: | Phone #1: ( ) H ( ) W ( ) C | Phone #2: ( ) H ( ) W ( ) C

Street Address: | City: | State & Zip Code:

Booking #: | Primary Charge Code: | Secondary Charge Code: | [ ] Criminal History

Treated on Scene? ( ) YES ( ) NO | By: | Unit: | Phone #:

Hospital Admission? [ ] | Rec'd Treatment At: | Coroner Case #: | Mental History [ ] User's guide provides direction on this entry

By: | Address: | Phone #:

Under Influence: ( ) YES ( ) NO | Substance: | 5150 a factor in force? ( ) YES ( ) NO User's guide provides direction on this entry

Date: | Time: | [ ] Audiotape: | [ ] Videotape: | [ ] Photos of Injuries: | [ ] ADMITS HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS

[ ] **Additional Suspects Involved**

Supervisor's Report on Use of Force
EMPLOYEE / NON-EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

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Employee Witnesses

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
[redacted]	Covarrubias	Omar	F.

Unit of Assignment:	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):	Shift:	
Compton Station	281E	◯ EM ◉ Day ◯ PM	◉ Regular ◯ OT ◯ Off Duty

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name

Unit of Assignment:	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):	Shift:	
		◯ EM ◯ Day ◯ PM	◯ Regular ◯ OT ◯ Off Duty

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name

Unit of Assignment:	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):	Shift:	
		◯ EM ◯ Day ◯ PM	◯ Regular ◯ OT ◯ Off Duty

Non-Employee Witnesses

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	52	[redacted]

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

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Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

☐ **Additional Witness**

Supervisor's Report on Use of Force

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Method

(AW) Arwen
(BC) Baton: (Control)
(BI) Baton: (Impact)
(BF) Bodily Fluids
(CN) Canine
(CR) Carotid Restraint
(CH) Choke Hold
(CT) Control Holds: (Control Techniques)
(TT) Control Holds: (Team Takedown)
(TD) Control Holds: (Takedown)
(CE) Chemical
(OC) Chemical Agents (OC Spray)
(TG) Chemical Agents (Tear Gas)
(EX) Explosives
(FH) Firearm (Handgun)
(FR) Firearm (Rifle)
(FS) Firearm (Shotgun)
(FO) Firearm (Other)
(FB) Flashbang
(FL) Flashlight
(OE) Other Weapon: Edged
(OV) Other Weapon: Vehicle
(OB) Other Weapon: Blunt Object
(OO) Other Weapon: Other
(PK) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Kick)
(PS) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Sweep)
(PH) Personal Weapon (Hand/Arm)
(PP) Personal Weapon (Push)
(PO) Personal Weapon (Other)
(RS) Resistance
(RO) Restraint Device (Other)
(RH) Restraint Device (Handcuffs)
(HB) Restraint Device: Hobble (Legs Only)
(TP) Restraint Device: Hobble (TARP)
(RE) Restraint Device: REACT Belt
(SP) Sap
(SH) Shield
(IR) Less Lethal Impact Round (other)
(SB) Sting Ball
(ST) Stun Bag
(TR) Taser
(UC) Uncooperative
(HR) High Risk

Type of Injury

(AB) Abrasion
(BR) Bruise
(BU) Burn
(CP) Complaint of Pain
(CO) Concussion
(DH) Death
(DI) Dislocation
(DB) Dog Bite
(FR) Fractures
(GS) Gunshot
(HB) Human Bite
(LC) Lacerations
(ND) Nerve Damage
(OD) Organ Damage
(PA) Paralysis
(PW) Puncture Wound
(SD) Soft Tissue Damage
(ST) Sprain/Twists
(UN) Unconscious
(RM) Refused Med Treatment
(NN) NONE

Body Part Involved

(AD) Abdomen
(AK) Ankle
(AR) Arm
(BK) Back
(BT) Buttocks
(CH) Chest
(EL) Elbow
(FA) Face
(FE) Feet
(FI) Fingers
(GE) Genitals
(GR) Groin
(HD) Hands
(HE) Head
(HI) Hip
(IN) Internal
(KN) Knees
(LE) Leg
(NK) Neck
(NO) Nose
(SH) Shoulder
(WR) Wrist

FORCE USED BY		FORCE USED AGAINST		Method (Code)	Type of Injury (Code)	Body Part (Code)
Name	E# or S#	Name	E# or S#			
Lopez	S1	Quinones	E1	UC	NN	
Lopez	S1	Quinones	E1	HR	NN	
Lopez	S1	Quinones	E1	OE	NN	
[redacted]	E2	Lopez	S1	TR	PW	BK
Quinones	E1	Lopez	S1	FH	AD	GS

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

INCIDENT:	**On-Duty Hit Shooting, Suspect Injured**
IAB FILE NUMBERS:	**SH 2465847 / FO 2465856**
URN#:	**018-14437-2823-056**
DATE/TIME:	**October 7, 2018 / 0650 Hours**
LOCATION:	**2109 North Long Beach Boulevard, Compton**

SYNOPSIS

On October 7, 2018, an Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) team comprised of Lieutenant Roberta Granek, Sergeants Connie Delgado, and Michael Maxwell, responded to Compton Station regarding an on-duty deputy involved hit shooting. On March 30, 2021, this case was reassigned to IAB Sergeant Armando Martinez.

Lieutenant Granek confirmed the Watch Commander, Sergeant Andrew Leos, took reasonable steps to ensure the involved employees and witness employee did not discuss the incident amongst themselves or with uninvolved persons prior to being interviewed by the assigned investigators. Lieutenant Granek verified with Sergeant Leos the involved employees and witness employee did not collectively consult with their attorney or representative, and she verified the personnel gathered in the company of a supervisor until they provided a statement to the assigned investigators.

Sergeant Robert Gray and Detective Timothy Ruggiero from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Homicide Bureau arrived and assumed control of the investigation. For further information, refer to the Homicide Bureau casebook, under URN 018-14437-2823-056 **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide book]**.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S LETTER OF OPINION

This case was reviewed by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, Justice System Integrity Division (JSID). In their letter of opinion, dated November 20, 2020, Deputy District Attorney Shannon Presby concluded the deadly force utilized by Deputy Francisco Quinones-Medina was legally justified in self-defense **[EXHIBIT B]**.

SUMMARY

On October 7, 2018, at approximately 0650 hours, Deputy Omar Covarrubias (Witness Employee) was assigned to Compton Sheriff's Station as unit 281A, dayshift. Deputy Covarrubias drove his marked patrol vehicle northbound on Long Beach Boulevard at Pine Street when he observed a male Hispanic (later identified as Suspect Enrique Lopez) inside the driver's seat of a white Dodge van. The van was parked in a parking lot of a business strip mall located at 2109 North Long Beach Boulevard in the city of Compton. The business strip mall was located at the northwest corner of Long Beach Boulevard and Pine Street.

Deputy Covarrubias noted similar vans had been stolen in the area. Deputy Covarrubias drove through the parking lot and conducted an inquiry of California license plate ([redacted] on the van via his Mobile Digital Computer (MDC). Deputy Covarrubias stopped his vehicle at the eastern driveway of the parking lot, along Long Beach Boulevard. Deputy Covarrubias exited his vehicle. Shortly thereafter, the Sheriff's Communication Center (SCC) advised Deputy Covarrubias the vehicle was reported stolen out of the Los Angeles Police Department, Hollywood Station.

Deputy Covarrubias walked to the passenger side of the van and attempted to detain Suspect Lopez. Deputy Covarrubias gave verbal orders for Suspect Lopez to place his hands on the dashboard. Suspect Lopez reached for unknown items near the dashboard and underneath the dashboard. Deputy Covarrubias utilized his handheld radio and broadcasted he was detaining a stolen vehicle suspect at gunpoint. Deputy Covarrubias advised SCC of his location and requested additional units to respond **[EXHIBIT C, Radio Traffic, Dispatch 9]**.

Suspect Lopez did not comply with Deputy Covarrubias' verbal orders to stop moving. Suspect Lopez obtained an unknown substance and snorted it. In his interview, Suspect Lopez admitted the substance was Methamphetamine. Deputy Covarrubias continued to give commands for Suspect Lopez to show his hands. Suspect Lopez did not comply with the commands.

By this time, Deputy Francisco Quinones Medina (Involved Employee) arrived on scene and parked his vehicle near Deputy Covarrubias' vehicle. Deputy Quinones exited his vehicle and walked toward the passenger side of the van where Deputy Covarrubias was standing. Deputy Quinones took out his firearm, pointed it at the suspect, and awaited the arrival of additional units.

> **IAB Note**: Deputy Quinones' true name is Francisco Quinones Medina; however, he referred to himself as Francisco Quinones. He will be referred to as Deputy Quinones throughout this summary.

As Deputy Quinones approached the passenger door, Suspect Lopez opened the door and exited with a knife in his right hand. Suspect Lopez had the knife in the web of his

right hand, with the blade pointed up and his arm extended out by his right leg. Suspect Lopez' hand remained at his side as he walked toward Deputy Quinones. Suspect Lopez continued walking directly toward Deputy Quinones. Deputies Covarrubias and Quinones gave commands for Suspect Lopez to drop the knife. Suspect Lopez did not comply and continued to walk toward Deputy Quinones. Deputy Quinones retreated backward to create distance between himself and Suspect Lopez. Deputy Quinones considered the option of transitioning to the Taser. Due to his training in edged weapons, Deputy Quinones believed that he could not safely transition between the Taser and firearm as it was too short a distance between him and Suspect Lopez. As Deputy Quinones retreated, he was concerned the van had not been cleared and unaware if other persons were inside the van.

As Deputy Quinones retreated, Deputy [redacted] (Involved Employee) arrived on scene. Deputy [redacted] deployed his Department issued Taser as he approached. Deputy [redacted] observed Suspect Lopez walk toward Deputy Quinones with the knife. Deputy Quinones continued to retreat backward to the southern portion of the parking lot. Deputy Quinones was backed up against a curb and shrubbery. Deputy Quinones believed it would be difficult to retreat over the shrubbery. Suspect Lopez was within a few feet of Deputy Quinones. Deputy Quinones believed he had no other place to retreat. He feared Suspect Lopez would stab and possibly kill him. Deputy Quinones fired three times at Suspect Lopez in rapid succession with his firearm. Suspect Lopez was struck twice by gunfire. Deputy Quinones' backdrop was the store fronts. Deputy [redacted] was five feet east of the suspect. Both deputies believed Deputy [redacted] was out of the line of fire. Deputy [redacted] feared Suspect Lopez was going to stab and kill Deputy Quinones and he employed his Taser at the back of Suspect Lopez simultaneously as Deputy Quinones discharged his firearm.

Suspect Lopez stopped his attack on Deputy Quinones and immediately fell to the ground. As Suspect Lopez fell to the ground, he immediately dropped the knife. Deputy Covarrubias approached Suspect Lopez and kicked the knife away. Deputy Covarrubias gave Suspect Lopez commands to place his hands behind his back. Deputies Covarrubias and [redacted] handcuffed Suspect Lopez without further incident.

Deputy Covarrubias utilized his handheld radio and broadcasted they were involved in a "998" and requested medical aid for Suspect Lopez **[EXHIBIT C, Radio Traffic, Dispatch 9]**.

> **IAB Note**: "998" is a Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department radio code for deputy involved shooting (DIS).

Deputy Covarrubias monitored Suspect Lopez' breathing and movement until emergency medical services arrived. Suspect Lopez was treated on scene by Compton Fire Department, Engine 42, and Paramedic Engine #442, under the command of Captain Donald. Suspect Lopez was transported to Saint Francis Medical Center for further treatment. Deputies secured the scene for evidence, canvassed for witnesses,

and waited for Homicide Bureau investigators. Deputies [redacted] Covarrubias, and Quinones were transported to Compton Station to be interviewed.

Homicide investigators arrived on scene and assumed control of the crime scene and investigation.

A "Humvee" combat style knife, with approximately 3" long olive green handle, and approximately 4" long black metal blade was recovered at the scene **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, page 39 / Digital Photographs 201-202, 231-325]**. LASD Scientific Services personnel arrived and processed the scene. Forensic Identification Specialist (FIS), Yvette Gonzalez photographed the scene **[EXHIBIT A, digital photographs]**.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEES AND WORK HISTORY

Francisco Quinones, Deputy Sheriff, #[redacted]

Work History

Central Patrol Division
Compton Station

Date of Employment:	July 25, 2007
Date Assigned to Patrol/CPT Station:	July 27, 2014
Date Completed Patrol Training:	[redacted]
Prior Shooting incidents:	 [redacted]
Prior Category 3 Force Incidents:	

Equipment Worn On Person

On October 7, 2018, Deputy Quinones wore a short sleeve Class "A" uniform, a bullet resistant vest, a Department issued Taser in a drop holster attached to his left leg, including a Sam Browne duty belt. The equipment on his duty belt included: two fully loaded ammunition magazines, handheld radio, Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) spray, two handcuffs, a Heckler and Koch, model USP, .45 caliber, semiautomatic pistol, Serial Number [redacted] with a Surefire tactical light attached **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, page 32]**.

[redacted] Deputy Sheriff, #[redacted]

Work History

Central Patrol Division
Compton Station

Date of Employment:	April 2, 2015
Date Assigned to Patrol/CPT Station:	March 25, 2018

Date Completed Patrol Training: [redacted]
Prior Shooting incidents: [redacted]
Prior Category 3 Force Incidents: [redacted]

Equipment Worn On Person

On October 7, 2018, Deputy [redacted] wore a long sleeve Class "A" uniform, a bullet resistant vest, a Department issued Taser in a drop holster attached to his left leg, including a Sam Browne duty belt. The equipment on his duty belt included: two fully loaded ammunition magazines, handheld radio, Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) spray, two handcuffs, a Smith and Wesson, Model M&P, 9 millimeter, semiautomatic pistol **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, page 31]**.

SUSPECT INFORMATION

Enrique Danilo Lopez

Male, Hispanic, DOB: 08/12/1982, 5'06", 220 pounds
[redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
CII # [redacted] MAIN # [redacted] FBI # [redacted]

A check of the Consolidated Criminal History Reporting System (CCHRS) **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, page 71-84]** revealed Suspect Lopez had one felony and eight misdemeanor convictions.

SUSPECT'S INJURIES

Suspect Lopez was transported to St. Francis Medical Center where he was treated by Doctor Simms Lopez under patient identification #001404855. Suspect Lopez sustained two gunshot wounds to the upper abdomen **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide book, page 33-34]**. IAB investigators photographed Suspect Lopez' injuries at the conclusion of the IAB interview **[EXHIBIT A, Suspect Lopez' photographs].**

DEPUTY PERSONNEL INJURIES

None

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

Under the direction of Homicide investigators, all physical evidence located at the scene was identified and collected by FIS Yvette Gonzalez and Donna Thomas, assigned to the Scientific Services Bureau (SSB). A possible bullet fragment (CSI Number EV-2) was recovered on the ground in the parking lot. For a description of the evidence collection, see the Homicide Bureau casebook **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, pages 59-69]**.

INVESTIGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

The scene was described in detail by Homicide Investigators, Detectives Stephanie Shrout and Richard Tomlin **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, pages 38-44]**. The scene was also photographed by FIS Gonzalez and Thomas **[EXHIBIT A, Digital Photographs]**. The crime scene was documented in a sketch produced by FIS Thomas **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, page 53]**.

WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY QUINONES

On October 7, 2018, Homicide Sergeant Gray, Detective Ruggiero and FIS Thomas conducted a round count of Deputy Quinones' firearm. Deputy Quinones carried his handgun with one round in the chamber and 12 rounds in the magazine. The handgun contained ten rounds, one round in the chamber, and nine rounds in the magazine, indicating Deputy Quinones fired three rounds **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, page 33].**

Date Deputy Quinones last qualified: [redacted]

WEAPON POSSESSED BY SUSPECT LOPEZ

Suspect Lopez possessed a "Humvee" combat style knife, with approximately 3" long olive green handle, and approximately 4" long black metal blade **[Exhibit A, Homicide Book, page 39 / Digital Photographs]**.

PROPERTY DAMAGE

None

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS AND CHARGES FILED

The criminal investigation into the shooting was handled by Homicide Investigators Sergeant Gray and Detective Ruggiero. On October 30, 2018, the Homicide investigators presented their case to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. Suspect Lopez was charged in Los Angeles Superior Court under case number TA147414 for the following charges:

- 487(D)(1) P.C. – Grand Theft Automobile.
- 245(C) P.C. – Assault with a Deadly Weapon Upon a Peace Officer.

On October 30, 2018, Suspect Lopez pled Nolo Contendere to 245(C) P.C. - Assault with a Deadly Weapon upon a Peace Officer. He was sentenced to three years state prison. Refer to Superior Court of California, Minute Order **[Miscellaneous Documents]**.

LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS

The incident occurred during daylight hours at 0650 hours. The weather was mostly clear. It was sunrise, where there was sunlight breaking; however, the sun was not yet visible in the skyline **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide book, page 42]**.

RADIO TRAFFIC

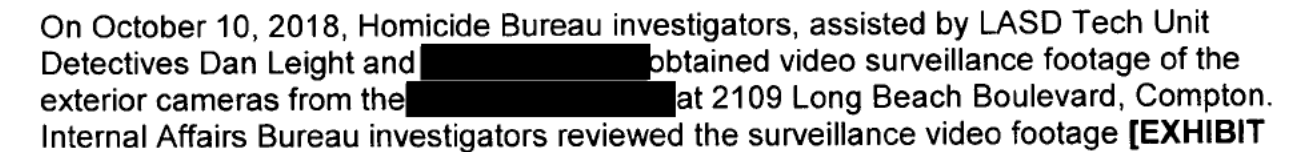
Internal Affairs Bureau Investigators reviewed SCC radio traffic – Dispatch 9, Compton Metro L-Tac, and A-Tac 4. The following are summarized excerpts from the compiled radio traffic **[EXHIBIT C, Radio Traffic]**:

Radio Traffic Dispatch Channel 9-

Actual Time	Audio File No.	Description
06:50:52	1	SCC requested Deputy Covarrubias (281A) status of his 10-29V (Stolen Vehicle).
06:51:28	1	Deputy Covarrubias requested emergency clearance and advised he was detaining a vehicle theft suspect at gunpoint at Pine Street and Long Beach Boulevard.
06:52:14	1	Deputy Covarrubias advised a male Hispanic was occupying the vehicle.
06:53:57	1	Deputy Covarrubias advised one unit arrived and call outs were being made to the driver.
06:54:31	1	Deputy Covarrubias advised a deputy involved shooting occurred.
06:57:50	1	Deputy Covarrubias advised Fire Department cleared to respond.

IAB investigators obtained and reviewed the contents of L-Tac 2, A-Tac 2, and the Watch Commander's call to SCC. No significant radio traffic was heard. The audio files were submitted with this case **[EXHIBIT C, Radio Traffic]**.

SURVEILLANCE VIDEO


On October 10, 2018, Homicide Bureau investigators, assisted by LASD Tech Unit Detectives Dan Leight and [redacted] obtained video surveillance footage of the exterior cameras from the [redacted] at 2109 Long Beach Boulevard, Compton. Internal Affairs Bureau investigators reviewed the surveillance video footage **[EXHIBIT**

D, Videos]. The video marks below correspond with the security video display of the footage. The following is a brief synopsis of the videos:

IAB Note: Camera 1 was located on the southwestern part of the business complex. Camera 1 faced north toward the businesses of 2109 Long Beach Boulevard, Compton. Camera 2 was located in the middle of the business complex and faced southeast toward Pine Avenue and Long Beach Boulevard.

Video Mark	Video File No.	Camera	Description
20:40:58	1	1	A white van arrived in the parking lot. The van was parked in southeastern parking stall of the parking lot.

Video Mark	Video File No.	Camera	Description
06:50:17	2	1	A patrol vehicle travelled westbound Pine Ave and into the parking lot from the west entrance.
06:50:25	2	1	The patrol vehicle travelled eastbound through the parking lot toward the van.
06:50:56	2	1	Deputy Covarrubias approached the passenger side of van.
06:53:52	2	1	Deputy Quinones arrived to assist Deputy Covarrubias on passenger's side of van.
06:54:13	2	1	Deputy Quinones approached the passenger door. Passenger door of van was opened by Suspect Lopez as Deputy Quinones reached for the door.
06:54:16	2	1	Suspect Lopez exited the passenger door and walked toward Deputy Quinones as Deputy Quinones walked backward.
06:54:25	2	1	Deputy [redacted] walked into the parking lot toward Suspect Lopez.
06:54:28	2	1	Deputies [redacted] and Quinones appeared to simultaneously fire at Suspect Lopez.

			Deputy [redacted] fired his Taser. Deputy Quinones fired his handgun.
06:55:05	2	1	Deputy Covarrubias kicked the knife away. Deputies handcuffed Suspect Lopez.
07:02:54	2	1	Fire Department arrived on scene to treat Suspect Lopez.

IAB Note: During the deputies' interviews, they stated Deputy [redacted] was approximately five feet east of the suspect when Deputy Quinones fired his firearm, and there was no cross fire situation. After IAB investigators viewed the video footage, it appeared debris was disturbed on the ground in close proximity to Deputy [redacted] feet, although the distance cannot be precisely determined.

STATEMENTS

The following narratives are intended only as a synopsis of the interviews. Additional information and precise wording may be obtained by reviewing the digitally audio recorded interviews and verbatim transcriptions. IAB investigators reviewed reports authored by the involved deputies.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEES

Deputy Francisco Quinones

Homicide Interview

On October 7, 2018, Deputy Francisco Quinones was interviewed by Homicide Investigators Sergeant Gray and Detective Ruggiero. The interview was summarized in the Homicide casebook **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, pages 32 and 33; Homicide transcripts]**.

IAB Interview

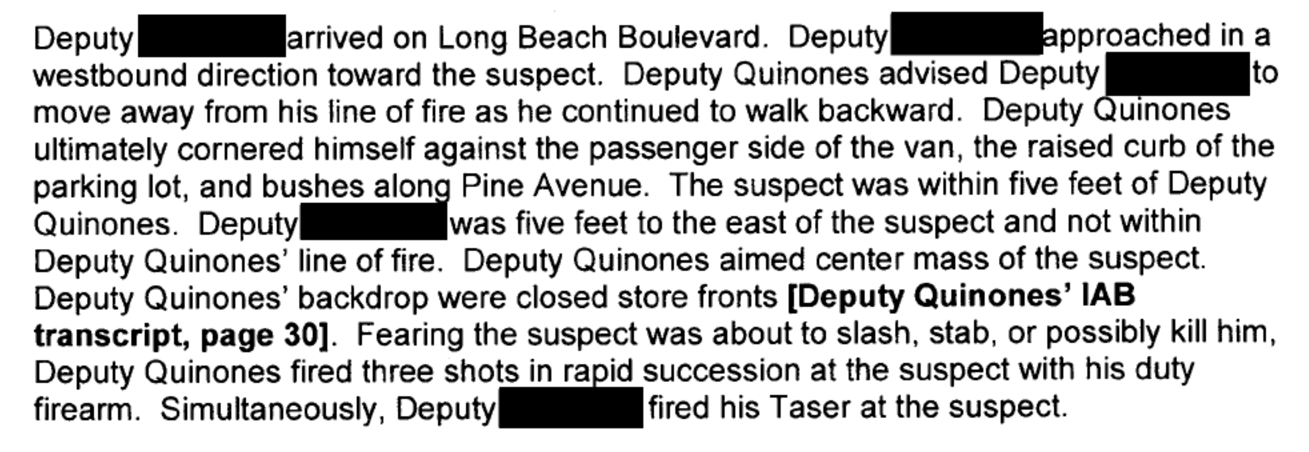
On July 6, 2021, IAB Sergeants Armando Martinez and Benjamin Grubb interviewed Deputy Francisco Quinones at the Internal Affairs Bureau office. Attorney Robert Wexler from RLS attorney firm attended the interview and represented Deputy Quinones.

On October 7, 2018, Deputy Quinones was assigned to patrol duties at Compton Station. Deputy Quinones heard radio traffic from SCC regarding a stolen vehicle. Deputy Covarrubias transmitted emergent radio traffic he was detaining a stolen vehicle suspect at gunpoint. Deputy Covarrubias broadcasted he was at the corner of Long

Beach Boulevard and Pine Street. Deputy Quinones advised SCC he was responding to assist.

Deputy Quinones arrived at the location and parked his patrol vehicle on Long Beach Boulevard, next to Deputy Covarrubias' vehicle. Deputy Quinones exited his vehicle and observed Deputy Covarrubias standing on the passenger side of the van. He walked from his vehicle, around the rear of van, to the van's passenger door. Deputy Quinones observed a male Hispanic (the suspect) in a black shirt, in the passenger seat. Deputy Covarrubias gave the suspect commands to show his hands **[Deputy Quinones' IAB transcript, page 5]**. The suspect flailed his arms inside the van and ignored the deputies' orders to show his hands.

Deputy Quinones could not see the suspect's hands and did not know if he was armed. Deputy Quinones pointed his firearm at the suspect. Deputy Quinones opened the passenger door to get a better view of the suspect. When Deputy Quinones opened the door, the suspect immediately exited, and. held a knife with a black colored blade in his right hand **[Deputy Quinones' IAB transcript, page 6]**. Deputy Quinones did not see the suspect with a weapon prior to him exiting the van. The suspect fixated on Deputy Quinones and walked toward him. Deputy Quinones, with his firearm still pointed at the suspect, walked backward to create distance between them. Deputy Quinones gave commands for the suspect to drop the knife. Deputy Quinones walked backward in a counterclockwise direction through the parking lot to create distance between him and the suspect.



Deputy [redacted] arrived on Long Beach Boulevard. Deputy [redacted] approached in a westbound direction toward the suspect. Deputy Quinones advised Deputy [redacted] to move away from his line of fire as he continued to walk backward. Deputy Quinones ultimately cornered himself against the passenger side of the van, the raised curb of the parking lot, and bushes along Pine Avenue. The suspect was within five feet of Deputy Quinones. Deputy [redacted] was five feet to the east of the suspect and not within Deputy Quinones' line of fire. Deputy Quinones aimed center mass of the suspect. Deputy Quinones' backdrop were closed store fronts **[Deputy Quinones' IAB transcript, page 30]**. Fearing the suspect was about to slash, stab, or possibly kill him, Deputy Quinones fired three shots in rapid succession at the suspect with his duty firearm. Simultaneously, Deputy [redacted] fired his Taser at the suspect.

The suspect fell to the ground and dropped the knife. Deputy Covarrubias ran toward the suspect and kicked the knife away. Deputy Covarrubias handcuffed the suspect without further incident. Deputy Quinones walked to his vehicle to obtain a first aid kit for the suspect. Shortly thereafter, Compton Fire Department personnel arrived on scene and treated the suspect. A sergeant arrived a short time after the shooting. Deputy Quinonez was transported to the station to be interviewed.

Deputy [redacted]

Homicide Interview
On October 7, 2018, Deputy [redacted] was interviewed by Homicide Investigators Sergeant Gray and Detective Ruggiero. The interview was summarized in the Homicide Bureau casebook **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, pages 31 and 32; Homicide transcripts]**.

IAB Interview

On July 6, 2021, IAB Sergeants Martinez and Louis Serrano interviewed Deputy Roberto [redacted] at the Internal Affairs Bureau office. Attorney Robert Wexler from RLS attorney firm attended the interview and represented Deputy [redacted]

On October 7, 2018, Deputy [redacted] was assigned to patrol duties at Compton Station as unit 282K1. He worked the early morning shift as a single person in a marked police vehicle. Deputy [redacted] heard emergent radio traffic regarding a stolen white van. The location was Pine Avenue and Long Beach Boulevard. He responded from the station to assist.

Upon his arrival, Deputy [redacted] parked his patrol vehicle on Long Beach Boulevard. Deputy [redacted] exited his vehicle and observed Deputies Covarrubias and Quinones on the west side of the van. He saw male Hispanic with a knife in his right hand walk in an assaultive manner toward Deputy Quinones. The suspect appeared ready to stab Deputy Quinones. Deputy Quinones walked backward away from the suspect, in a counterclockwise direction. Deputy Covarrubias directed Deputy [redacted] to deploy his stunbag. Deputy [redacted] stated the stunbag was in his patrol vehicle. He was 20 feet from his patrol vehicle and ten feet away from the suspect.

Deputy [redacted] determined he was too far from his vehicle to obtain the stunbag. Since Deputies Covarrubias and Quinones had their firearms out, Deputy [redacted] decided to utilize a less lethal option **[Deputy Banuelos' IAB transcripts, page 15]**. Deputy [redacted] deployed his Taser, which was attached to his left leg. He pointed the Taser at the back of the suspect. Deputy [redacted] did not fire at that time, because Deputy Quinones was in his line of fire.

As Deputy [redacted] approached the suspect from behind, Deputy Quinones advised him to move away from his line of fire. Deputy [redacted] side stepped to his left and to the suspect's left side, which was ten feet away from the van. Deputy Quinones walked backward up against the shrubbery until he could not back up any further. Deputy [redacted] feared the suspect was going to stab Deputy Quinones, so he employed his Taser to the torso of the suspect. Deputy [redacted] fired his Taser from approximately ten feet away. Deputy Quinones was out of Deputy [redacted] line of fire, and away from his backdrop as he employed his Taser **[Deputy [redacted] IAB transcripts, page 22]**. Simultaneously, Deputy Quinones fired his firearm at the suspect. Deputy [redacted] heard approximately two shots. The suspect immediately fell to the ground

and dropped the knife. Deputy Covarrubias approached and kicked the knife away from the suspect. Deputy [redacted] turned off his Taser and approached the suspect. Deputies Covarrubias and [redacted] handcuffed the suspect without incident. Deputy [redacted] monitored the suspect after he was handcuffed, and placed him in the recovery position. Deputy [redacted] was transported to the station to be interviewed. Deputy [redacted] provided his Taser to Homicide investigators the day of the incident.

EMPLOYEE WITNESS

Deputy Omar Covarrubias

Homicide Interview

On October 7, 2018, Deputy Omar Covarrubias was interviewed by Homicide Investigators Sergeant Gray and Detective Ruggiero. The interview was summarized in the Homicide Bureau casebook **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, pages 29 and 30; Homicide transcripts].**

IAB Interview

On July 6, 2021, IAB Sergeants Martinez and Grubb interviewed Deputy Covarrubias at the Internal Affairs Bureau office. On October 8, 2021, IAB Sergeants Martinez and Joseph Morales re-interviewed Deputy Covarrubias at the Internal Affairs Bureau office. Attorney Robert Wexler from RLS attorney firm attended the interviews representing Deputy Covarrubias.

On October 7, 2018, Deputy Covarrubias was assigned to patrol duties at Compton Station as unit 281A. He worked dayshift, from 0500 to 1300 hours in a single-person marked police vehicle. Deputy Covarrubias travelled northbound Long Beach Boulevard and approached Pine Street. He observed a white van parked in the parking lot of the northwest corner of Long Beach Boulevard and Pine Street. The van was parked in the southeastern parking stall of the parking lot, facing south. Deputy Covarrubias observed a male Hispanic (Suspect Lopez) who reached underneath the dashboard of the van. He drove westbound Pine Street and into the parking lot. Deputy Covarrubias noted similar vans had been stolen in the area. He used his MDC and conducted an inquiry of the license plate on the van **[Miscellaneous Documents, Unit History Report]**.

Deputy Covarrubias parked his patrol vehicle on the eastern part of the parking lot of Long Beach Boulevard. As he exited his patrol vehicle, a civilian flagged him down from across the street and stated someone stole their bicycle. Immediately following the flag down, SCC inquired his status of the stolen vehicle. Deputy Covarrubias walked around his patrol vehicle and walked toward the passenger's side of the van. Deputy Covarrubias last observed the suspect in the driver's seat of the van. He walked to the van because he did not know if the suspect was still inside the vehicle or had fled the area **[Deputy Covarrubias' IAB (2nd Interview) transcripts, page 14].** Deputy

Covarrubias could not see inside the van to confirm if the suspect remained inside. He walked and positioned himself on the passenger's side of the van. He immediately observed the suspect in the passenger's seat of the van. Deputy Covarrubias pulled out his firearm and pointed it at the suspect.

Deputy Covarrubias requested emergency clearance on the radio and broadcasted he was detaining the suspect at gunpoint. Deputy Covarrubias gave the suspect verbal commands to show his hands. The suspect ignored the commands and reached on the dash, towards the steering wheel and center console of the van. The suspect put his hands close to his face and appeared to snort an unknown substance in front of Deputy Covarrubias **[Deputy Covarrubias' IAB (2nd Interview) transcripts, page 16]**. Prior to the suspect ingesting the narcotics, Deputy Covarrubias could not determine at which point, or where the suspect obtained the narcotics.

The suspect continuously moved around the van while he detained the suspect at gunpoint. Deputy Covarrubias positioned himself on the passenger side because he believed, if the suspect decided to escape, he would cut off his escape route toward the residential area. If the suspect decided to escape through the residences, it would be difficult to capture him, because it was unknown if the suspect knew the area, lived in the area, or had acquaintances that could help him escape. Deputy Covarrubias determined it would be easier for responding units to observe and apprehend the suspect in a short distance due to the open terrain and minimal areas that he could escape **[Deputy Covarrubias' IAB (2nd Interview) transcripts, page 9]**.

Deputy Quinones was the first unit to arrive. Deputy Quinones positioned himself to the rear of the passenger side of the van. The passenger door opened and the suspect exited the van. The suspect possessed a serrated knife in his right hand and held it in a "ready to thrust fashion" as he walked toward Deputy Quinones **[Deputy Covarrubias' IAB transcripts, page 16]**. Deputy Quinones walked backward, away from the suspect. The suspect appeared to be three to five feet away from Deputy Quinones as he walked toward him. Deputy Quinones walked backward and turned counterclockwise toward the front of the van. Deputy [redacted] arrived and approached from Long Beach Boulevard. Deputy Covarrubias directed Deputy [redacted] to deploy his Taser at the suspect. Deputy Covarrubias believed the suspect was going to stab Deputy Quinones. Deputy Covarrubias indicated he looked for an opportunity to engage the suspect in a safe manner. However, he did not fire his firearm at the suspect throughout the interaction because Deputies Covarrubias and Quinones were in his backdrop, as well as the van **[Deputy Covarrubias' IAB transcripts, page 18]**.

Deputy Quinones walked backward to the curb and planter as the suspect walked toward him. Deputy [redacted] employed his Taser at the suspect. Simultaneously, Deputy Quinones fired his firearm at the suspect. Deputy Covarrubias heard approximately three shots. The suspect immediately fell to the ground and dropped the knife. Deputy Covarrubias approached the suspect and kicked the knife away. He handcuffed the suspect without further incident. Deputy Covarrubias broadcasted a deputy involved shooting occurred and requested the fire department to stage nearby.

Deputy Covarrubias monitored the suspect, who was conscious and breathing, until medical aid arrived. A sergeant arrived shortly after the shooting. Once the scene was secured, Deputy Covarrubias was relieved and transported to the station to be interviewed.

Sergeant Rodney Adams

IAB Interview

On October 5, 2021, IAB Sergeants Martinez and Serrano interviewed Sergeant Adams at the Internal Affairs Bureau office. Sergeant Adams elected not to have representation during the interview.

On October 7, 2018, Sergeant Adams was assigned to patrol duties as the field sergeant. He was at Century Regional Detention Center (CRDF) collecting paperwork. He overheard on the radio deputies were detaining a stolen vehicle suspect at gunpoint at Long Beach Boulevard and Pine Street. Sergeant Adams responded from CRDF. He estimated it was an approximately one to two minutes response time, and notified SCC he responded with lights and siren. Upon arrival, he heard an update on the radio deputies were involved in a shooting.

Sergeant Adams arrived on scene and saw the suspect handcuffed in the middle of the parking lot with a gunshot wound. Sergeant Adams observed a knife in the parking lot and ensured deputy personnel stood by the weapon to hold for evidence. He ensured a command post and a containment was established. Sergeant Adams spoke with Deputy Quinones and obtained a safety statement from him. Deputy Quinones informed Sergeant Adams the suspect exited the van with a knife and approached him **[Sergeant Adams; IAB transcripts, page 4]**. Deputy Quinones fired north toward the businesses as he walked back toward the bushes where he could no longer continue to walk back **[Sergeant Adams; IAB transcripts, page 5]**. Deputy Quinones advised Sergeant Adams he fired approximately one to three rounds at the suspect. Sergeant Adams ensured deputies were unharmed as medical aid arrived to treat the suspect for his injuries. Sergeant Adams made notifications to the watch commander and followed the guidelines in accordance to a deputy involved shooting supervisor checklist **[Sergeant Adams; IAB transcripts, page 6]**. He ensured deputies were separated and transported back to the station.

<u>CIVILIAN WITNESS</u>

[redacted]

Homicide Interview

On October 7, 2018, Witness [redacted] was interviewed by Homicide Investigators Sergeant Gray and Detective Ruggiero. The interview was summarized in the Homicide

casebook **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, pages 30 and 31; Homicide transcripts]**. The following is a brief summary of the Homicide interview:

On October 7, 2018, at approximately midnight, Witness [redacted] parked his vehicle (Nissan Xterra SUV) in the parking lot of where the incident took place. He reclined his seat and fell asleep as he was parked west of the suspect's van. Witness [redacted] told investigators he heard verbal commands to keep their hands up and not to move. Shortly thereafter, Witness [redacted] heard two or three shots. He did not raise his head to look outside. Witness [redacted] heard a male voice repeat the verbal commands, and based on the tone and multiple commands given, he believed the person the commands were directed to, was not cooperating. Witness [redacted] stayed reclined in his car seat, and did not look up until deputies discovered him in his vehicle and instructed him to exit. He told investigators he heard the incident, but did not see what occurred.

SUSPECT INTERVIEW

Suspect Enrique Lopez

Homicide Interview

On October 7, 2018, Homicide Investigators Sergeant Gray and Detective Ruggiero responded to Saint Francis Medical Center and were unable to interview Suspect Lopez because the suspect was intubated and sedated. On October 9, 2018, Sergeant Gray and Detective Ruggiero interviewed Suspect Lopez at Saint Francis Medical Center. The interview was summarized in the Homicide casebook **[EXHIBIT A, Homicide Book, pages 34 and 35; Homicide transcripts]**.

IAB Interview

On May 3, 2021, IAB Sergeants Martinez and Serrano interviewed Suspect Lopez at Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

Suspect Lopez was diagnosed with bipolar disorder and schizophrenia prior to the shooting. He was taking Seroquel and Lorazepam as prescribed medication for his mental health conditions. A week prior to the incident, he stopped taking his medication. He had not slept for a few days, was on a drug binge, and had been drinking alcohol. During the drug binge, Suspect Lopez stole a white cargo van in Studio City. He stole a knife that was approximately two to three inches from a Big 5 sporting goods store prior to the incident.

On October 6, 2018, Suspect Lopez ran out of gas in the city of Compton. He parked the van in the parking lot of the location. Suspect Lopez was hallucinating, and spoke to himself out loud. Suspect Lopez did not sleep throughout the night, and continued to ingest methamphetamine. Suspect Lopez contemplated committing suicide prior to the incident. The morning of October 7, 2018, Suspect Lopez recalled a deputy pointing his

firearm at him by the passenger side window. The deputy gave him commands to get out of the vehicle. Suspect Lopez ignored his commands and told the deputy he had a weapon in the vehicle. Shortly thereafter, Suspect Lopez ingested a small amount of methamphetamine. Suspect Lopez felt paranoid and needed to defend himself at the time **[Suspect Lopez' IAB transcripts, page 3]**.

Suspect Lopez opened the passenger door and jumped out the vehicle. Suspect Lopez held the knife in his right hand and focused on the lower torso of the deputy he walked toward. Due to his altered state, Suspect Lopez did not recognize the deputy in uniform as a police officer. Suspect Lopez walked to the rear of the van as the deputy backed away from him, toward the front of the van and the bushes. The deputy gave Suspect Lopez numerous commands to drop the knife; however, he ignored the orders. Suspect Lopez mimicked the deputy's actions as the deputy backed up toward the bushes **[Suspect Lopez' IAB transcripts, page 44]**. As the deputy backed up against the bushes, Suspect Lopez was struck in the back with the Taser. Suspect Lopez felt the effects of the Taser and shook while he stood in place. A few seconds later, he was shot by the deputy against the bushes. Suspect Lopez was shot twice in the abdomen **[Suspect Lopez' IAB transcripts, page 25]**. Suspect Lopez fell to the ground and dropped the knife after he was shot. Suspect Lopez felt pain to his abdomen from being shot. He was handcuffed by deputies and was escorted to the hospital via ambulance.

Suspect Lopez was apologetic and remorseful during the interviews. Suspect Lopez apologized for ingesting narcotics and placing himself and the deputies in the situation **[Suspect Lopez' IAB transcripts, page 5]**.

Additional Information

Medical records were not obtained by Homicide investigators. A chemical test was not administered on Suspect Lopez to determine his sobriety.